

CHANGE OF FRONT

Wharton Golden Alleged to Have
Confessed to a Knowledge of
the Awful Conspiracy.

SERGEANT IN THE STATE MILITIA.

"I'm Saving Myself From the Pen;
Maybe From the Gallows." He Is
Reported to Have Said.

The Assailant of Goebel Hired to Fire the
Treacherous Shot—A Suspect Now
Under Arrest. Involved—As-
tounding Revelations.

Barboursville, Ky., March 19.—It
was said here Sunday that Sergt. F.
Wharton Golden, of the local company of
state guards, has allied himself with
the attorneys for the prosecution of the
assassination of William Goebel, and has
been now in custody at Frank-
fort. His cousin, Green Golden, of
the state guards, returned from
Frankfort Saturday night and gave it
out that Wharton Golden, the ser-
geant, had turned to the other side,
that Caleb Powers had told him
to keep Wharton from going to
Frankfort. But Wharton had left be-
fore the arrival of his cousin. Among
the men in this section who were
present in Frankfort when Goebel
was assassinated were Milt Trosber,
John Golden and a young man named
Bettis, all of whom reside on farms
near the town of Caleb Powers' fath-
er on Brush creek.

Wharton Golden is said to have
told here a few days ago that one of
the men now held at Frankfort had
told these three boys \$2,000 if they
would put Goebel out of the way. He
said he refused to take the money.
Wharton Golden also said that he was
afraid that these boys would tell on
the men when the trial came up.
John L. Powers, brother of Caleb
Powers, and for whom there is a war-
rant of arrest, came into town Sunday
on the assurance of Sheriff Reese that
he would not arrest him. He has been
in Harrison county and on his
father's farm. Many of the republic-
ans here are very much incensed over
the arrest of Caleb Powers, and de-
clare that they will go to Frankfort
necessity and take him out of cus-
tody. The majority of these people
believe that even if Powers had some
connection with the assembling of the
men at Frankfort on January 25, he
is guilty of the crime of assassina-
tion, because, as they say, he did
not fire the shot. It became known
that the republicans at Frankfort last
week that Capt. J. F. Hawn, of Com-
pany D, 2d regiment of the state
guards, had informed Mr. Beckham
that he would recognize him, and was
ready to make whatever disposition
of the 54 rifles and 3,000
pounds of ammunition in his posses-
sion.

Mr. Beckham sent one of his offi-
cers to Barboursville, with instruc-
tions to have Hawn pack and slip the
rifles to Capt. Longmire at Lexing-
ton, but before this could be done
Capt. Longmire came here with or-
ders from Gen. Collier to Hawn, tell-
ing him to turn the rifles and ammu-
nition over to Lieut. Gibson. This
Hawn refused to do, whereupon
Lieut. Gibson, with an armed force,
went to the arsenal and took the
rifles. The ammunition, however, is
in the vault of the bank of
Hays & Miller, who have refused to
turn it up except on the verbal order
of Capt. Hawn. A stenographer in
the employ of the attorneys for the
prosecution of Powers and others
came here from Frankfort to take
depositions of several witnesses
of these men. When his presence
was purpose known a crowd
about 200 wanted to lynch him. He
was saved from the mob by Sergt.
Wharton Golden, who, under the pre-
text of becoming the leader of the
mob, arranged matters that the
stenographer got away.

Lexington, Ky., March 19.—For sev-
eral hours Sunday Thomas C. Camp-
bell, of New York; Robert B. Frank-
lin, commonwealth's attorney, and
James Polsgrove, county attorney, of
Franklin county, and F. W. Golden,
Barboursville, were in consultation
at the Phoenix hotel. The first named
three are attorneys for the prosecu-
tion in the case of those accused of
complicity in the assassination of
William Goebel, and Golden is a ser-
geant in the Barboursville company of
the state militia, of which John L.
Powers is the captain.

At 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon
Campbell went to Cincinnati and a
few hours later Franklin and Pol-
sgrove returned to Frankfort. Golden
left Sunday night on the east-
bound C. & O. train. At the depot
he was asked by a militiaman as to
his mission here. It is stated that his
reply was: "I am saving myself from
the pen, and maybe the gallows."
He refused to talk to newspaper
men at all.

Lexington, Ky., March 20.—Sergt. F.
Wharton Golden, republican member
of the Barboursville company of the
state militia, who is alleged to have
turned the Goebel attorneys the de-
posit of a plot to assassinate Goebel,
returned Sunday night in Richmond. He
returned here Monday. He went to
Frankfort to secure further testimony
against the men accused of complicity
in the assassination. Republicans
here say Golden's whole story is a
hoax. They say they can not under-
stand how Golden, who was con-

sidered a staunch republican, could
turn against his friends.

Louisville, Ky., March 15.—Warrants
have been issued for 30 of the most
prominent republicans in Kentucky
and also for four Brown democratic
leaders, charging them with being
accessories before the fact to the mur-
der of William Goebel. Only 12 of
these warrants have been given to the
detectives, and but four have been
served. Only four more will be served
at present, the plan being to have
the April grand jury of Franklin
county return indictments and then
the arrests will follow.

Republican Gov. Taylor and United
States Senator Deloe are on the list
of those to be indicted.
Frankfort, Ky., March 16.—At a
conference between the county and
district officers here it was deter-
mined to have returned here—Secre-
tary of State Powers, Holland Whit-
taker, W. H. Culton and Capt. Davis,
the four alleged accessories to the as-
sassination of Gov. Wm. Goebel, and
to give them a speedy examining trial.
Frankfort, Ky., March 17.—Caleb
Powers, John Davis, W. H. Culton and
Harland Whittaker were brought
here from Louisville Friday in charge
of Sheriff Suter and deputies. A spe-
cial detail of police and deputy sher-
iffs met them at the train and they
were marched to the jail through the
streets which were lined with people
who anticipated their coming. There
was no disorder and the prisoners
greeted their friends pleasantly as
they went to jail.

The prisoners were arraigned be-
fore County Judge Moore at 11
o'clock, and after some argument be-
tween the attorneys Hayslip was re-
leased on \$10,000 bond. Judge Moore
set the examining trials for Monday.
County Attorney Polsgrove said he
did not think the state could get
ready for trial by that time and in
case they did not would ask a con-
tinuance of two days.
Louisville, Ky., March 17.—The
amended answer of the republicans
in the Beckham-Taylor consolidated
suit involving the governorship, was
filed with Judge Field in the circuit
court Friday. It has been in prepara-
tion by ex-Gov. Bradley, Judge
Yost and other attorneys since Judge
Field's recent decision declaring his
court had no jurisdiction in the case
and that his court could not review
the action of the legislature setting
Beckham. The amended answer is
made principally to perfect the re-
cord before the case is taken to the
court of appeals.

As a result of meetings held by a
number of prominent citizens of
Louisville, it is announced that ex-
Gov. John Young Brown has accepted
the employment as chief counsel for
the men arrested for the murder of
the late Wm. Goebel. This action, its
promoters say, is taken in order that
no innocent man may be convicted
through the agency of the \$100,000
reward appropriated by the last leg-
islature. Ex-Gov. Brown will be chief
counsel, and with him will be as-
sociated Hon. George Denny, of Lex-
ington; W. C. P. Breckinridge, of Lex-
ington; Hon. J. C. Sims, of Bowling
Green; Hon. A. E. Willson, of Louis-
ville, and several others. These law-
yers have been instructed to push the
cases to an early trial, and failing in
that bring habeas corpus proceedings.
Frankfort, Ky., March 17.—Gov.
Taylor is said to have prepared state-
ment making a second appeal to
President McKinley. John W. Yerkes
of Danville, and other republican le-
aders were called in conference at the
executive mansion and the paper
submitted to them. A committee to
be headed by Mr. Yerkes, is to be sent
to Washington to lay before the
president whatever message is agreed
on by the conference Friday.

Frankfort, Ky., March 20.—Caleb
Powers, John Davis and Wm. H. Cul-
ton, charged with being accessories
to the murder of Wm. Goebel, were ar-
raigned for trial before Judge Moore.
The commonwealth announced the
trials were set for next Friday, at which
time County Attorney Polsgrove said
he thought he could get his witnesses
and not ask a further continuance.
Ex-Governor John Young Brown
made a demand for a list of witnesses
for the commonwealth, but this was
refused by the attorney for the prose-
cution on the ground that publicity
might cause some of them to avoid
being summoned.
Commonwealth Attorney Franklin
and County Attorney Polsgrove re-
fuse to either affirm or deny the story
that Sergeant Golden has made al-
leged confession of knowledge con-
cerning Goebel assassination.

ON THE SAME TRAIN.

Govs. Taylor and Beckham, After
Spending Sunday in Louisville,
Return to Frankfort.

Louisville, Ky., March 20.—Govs.
Beckham and Taylor took the same
train for Frankfort Monday morning
after spending Sunday in this city
very quietly. It is believed nothing
occurred during their visit that will
have an important effect upon their
contest.
The democratic attorneys filed with
Judge Field Monday a demurrer to
the amended answer of the republi-
cans in the governorship suit. As no
new points were raised by counsel for
Gov. Taylor it is expected Judge Field
will not require much time to dispose
of the case. A decision reaffirming
his recent ruling that his court lacks
the power to review the action of the
legislature setting Beckham is ex-
pected within a day or two, when the
case will be taken to the court of ap-
peals.

Nineteen Stores Burned.

Montgomery, Ala., March 20.—Pratt-
ville, ten miles from here, was prac-
tically destroyed by fire Monday, 19
stores being burned.

VIA RUSTENBURG.

Keen Observers Believe Lord Rob-
erts Meditates an Advance in
Force on Pretoria.

METHUEN ALLOWED ANOTHER CHANCE

Commandant Olivier Retreating From
Northern Cape Colony Toward
the City of Kronstadt.

There is No News of Mafeking's Re-
lief—Public Interest Centers in
the Force of Col. Ba-
den-Powell.

London, March 18.—The peaceful
tonquest of the Orange Free State
progresses so evenly that it is now be-
lieved there will be little or no fight-
ing until Lord Roberts reaches the
Vaal river. How soon he intends to
start out with this objective is not
yet hinted at, but the pacification of
the Free Staters seems now engaging
all his intention. When the move
comes it would doubtless be accom-
plished with the secrecy and swift-
ness which have characterized all the
British advances since Lord Roberts
assumed command.

The revolt of the Cape Dutch in
the northeast seems to have had its
back broken, and it is likely Gen.
Kitchener will soon resume his place
beside his chief.

London, March 19.—The news from
South Africa is entirely satisfactory
to the British public. The relief of
Mafeking is not yet announced, but it
is extremely probable that this is al-
ready accomplished by Col. Plumer's
advance. Lady Charles Pentlith, at
Cape Town, has received a telegram
from her husband in Mafeking, dated
March 12, saying that he expected to
join her shortly. The actual relief
movements have not been publicly de-
veloped in detail, but it seems that
Lord Methuen only started very re-
cently and is rather engaged in dis-
persing the Boers of the district than
aiming at actual relief.

Col. Peckham has dispersed 500
Boers at Fourteen Streams.
Lord Roberts probably ascertained
from Mr. Frazer, the new mayor of
Bloemfontein, before dispatching Gen.
Pole-Carew southward, that in all
likelihood the railway was clear. The
next move will be to collect at Bloem-
fontein by railway sufficient stores
for the immense army Lord Roberts
will have when the Orange river
forces joined him. This will probably
occupy from two to three weeks.
Therefore the next important opera-
tions may be expected in Natal.

The cavalry brigade which Lord
Roberts has sent to Thaba Nchu, 35
miles east of Bloemfontein, is desired
to cut off some 2,000 Boers who are
escaping from the southward.

The Boers are reported to have de-
stroyed the railway in the neighbor-
hood of Kroonstadt.

London, March 19.—The war office
has received the following dispatch
from Field Marshal Roberts, dated
Bloemfontein, Sunday, March 18:

"The guards brigade returned yester-
day from Norval's Pont. Several
burghers have laid down their arms
to Gen. Pole-Carew at Edinburg and
elsewhere.
"The officer commanding at Bel-
mont reports that some deserters
have come in with a Maxim, a nine-
pounder and another gun. Another
nine-pounder has been brought into
Colesberg. The cavalry brigade has
gone to Thaba Nchu in order to re-
assure the inhabitants of that district
and to distribute copies of the procla-
mation to the people of the Free
State. These proclamations are be-
ing eagerly sought after.
"Lord Methuen reached Warrenton
on March 16. He was in time to pre-
vent the Deviation bridge from being
completely destroyed and to secure
the point on the Vaal.

"The English mail was dispatched
from here by rail yesterday, and to-
morrow the regular railway mail ser-
vice with Cape Town will be re-
opened.

"Mafeking reports that all was well
on March 6."

Lobatsi, March 17.—It is reported
that Commandant Eloff, with a com-
mando, has left Zerst for Mafeking.
Commandant Schwartz, with 150 men,
is threatening the railway near As-
vogel Kop, north of Lobatsi. A British
patrol who reconnoitered within
14 miles of Mafeking, found the rail-
way unharmed and the telegraph wire
untouched north of Pitsani.

London, March 20.—Neither the ad-
vance by way of Fourteen Streams,
nor Col. Plumer's movement, has yet
resulted in bringing news of Mafek-
ing's relief; from Bloemfontein and
Natal there are apparently no se-
rious developments and public in-
terest remains centered in Col. Baden-
Powell's force, undisturbed by events
of greater military importance. How-
ever, it appears likely that the con-
vergence of the troops towards Mafek-
ing indicates a much more serious
purpose than merely its relief. Judg-
ing from Lord Methuen's presence
at Warrenton and the character of
the near by passage of the vaal at
Fourteen Streams, keen observers be-
lieve that Lord Roberts meditates an
advance in force on Pretoria by way
of Rustenburg. This might start
either from Fourteen Streams or
Klerkadorp, and would probably coin-
cide with an advance via Bloemfontein
and Natal.

Thus Lord Methuen may be given
the chance to redeem his reputation,
as has been done with Gen. Gatacre.

FORECAST OF CONGRESS.

Probable Program of Both the Sen-
ate and House for the Week,
Subject to Change.

Washington, March 19.—It now
looks as though the week in the sen-
ate would be spent largely in waiting
upon the special republican caucus
committee appointed to harmonize
the party on the proposed Porto Ri-
can legislation. The Porto Rican gov-
ernmental bill will continue to hold
its place on the senate calendar as
the unfinished business, and more de-
sultory speeches will doubtless be
made upon it, but it will not be
pressed as it would be if there was
hope of passing it soon. The republi-
can senators are opposed to present
action on the bill, and no effort will
be made to arrive at final results un-
til the caucus committee makes its
report. In the meantime the appropria-
tion bills on the calendar will re-
ceive attention. These are the legisla-
tive and the Indian bills.

In the house the Porto Rican relief
bill, with senate amendments, will be
called up and passed. On Tuesday
the Loud bill relating to second-class
mail matter will come up under a
special order setting aside Tuesday.
Wednesday and Thursday for its con-
sideration. Friday, under the rule,
will be given to private pension legisla-
tion, unless that order is superseded
by the army appropriation bill, which
is on the calendar. Gen. Joseph
Wheeler may present himself at the
bar of the house to be sworn in some
time during the week. So far as can
be learned, there is no objection on
either side to his admission if his resig-
nation as a brigadier general in the
army shall have been accepted before
he presents himself. The case, how-
ever, may be referred to a committee.

Our Relations With China.

Washington, March 19.—In official
and diplomatic circles here a denial is
authorized to published reports that
there have been conferences with a
view to the dispatch of additional
warships and United States soldiers
to China, and that news of the grav-
est character has been received from
the United States minister to China.
There is said to be no fear deter-
mined that any serious danger to
American interests is impending.

Will Select Bryan Delegates.

Lincoln, Neb., March 19.—While
there may be a few family fights in
the democratic and populist con-
ventions called to elect delegates to the
democratic national convention at
Kansas City and the populist conven-
tion at Sioux Falls, they are not ex-
pected to have any influence on the
final action of both gatherings, which
will be to select Bryan delegates and
instruct them to vote for him first,
last and all the time.

Prison Warden Dead.

Detroit, Mich., March 19.—Capt.
Joseph Nicholson, for 21 years warden
of the Detroit house of correction,
is dead. The captain was widely
distinguished as an organizer and
manager of prison industries. Under
his superintendence the big prison,
with its 600 inmates, including many
federal prisoners, paid \$60,000 annu-
ally to the city. Deceased was 74 years
of age. His early life was spent as a
sailor on the lakes.

Dewey Going South.

Washington, March 19.—Adm. and
Mrs. Dewey left here for a trip south.
They expect to visit Savannah, Macon,
St. Augustine, Jacksonville and
Palm Beach. The admiral and Mrs.
Dewey probably will not return to
the city until the latter part of next
month, at which time it is said they
will sail for Europe, visiting the ex-
position some time during the sum-
mer.

Avoiding the Plague.

Washington, March 19.—Word was
received by the navy department that
the Chicago and Montgomery, of
Adm. Schley's squadron, have left
Montevideo for Bahia, Brazil. The
Wilmington will join the other ships
as soon as she is out of quarantine.
The ships are going to Bahia to avoid
the bubonic plague, which has ap-
peared on the Platte.

Shot His Son-in-Law.

Butte, Mont., March 19.—Thomas
Pooley, a saloon keeper, shot his son-
in-law, Thomas Littlejohn, and the
latter's wife, Lydia, during a difficul-
ty on the street in the upper part of
town. There had been bad feeling
between Littlejohn and Pooley since
the former married the latter's
daughter.

Burnside Reaches New York.

New York, March 19.—The United
States transport Burnside arrived
from San Juan, Santiago and Gibara
with 40 cabin passengers and 52 dis-
charged and furloughed soldiers.
Among the latter are 12 prisoners and
13 guards. The Burnside brought the
bodies of nine soldiers.

Negro Lynched on Sunday.

Columbus, Ga., March 19.—Charles
Humphreys, who late Saturday night
entered the room of Miss McCoy, the
daughter of a white farmer living just
outside of Phenix City, Ala., was
lynched Sunday by a party of white
men. Humphreys confessed and was
shot to death.

Gen. Miles in the South.

Charleston, S. C., March 19.—Maj.
Gen. Miles and staff arrived in
Charleston from Washington. The
party will spend the day in Charle-
ston, Tuesday in Port Royal and go to
Savannah Wednesday to be present at
the Dewey reception.

Judge Tolson's Sister Dead.

Milwaukee, Wis., March 19.—Mrs.
Isadore Clark, a sister of Judge Tol-
son, of Chicago, died here, aged 70 years.
The remains will be taken to Chicago
for interment at Rose Hill cemetery.

FIFTY-SIXTH CONGRESS.

First Session.

Washington, March 12.—Senate.—During
almost the entire session of the Senate
Mr. Rawlins, of Utah, occupied the floor
in a discussion of the Philippine ques-
tion. He went deeply into the constitutional
phases of the question. His argument was
largely legal and technical. He is opposed
to holding of the Philippines. Eighty-six
private pension bills were passed.

House.—For the second time within a
week a Democratic was unseated by the
House and a Republican seated in his
place. H. A. Wise was given the seat
Hiberto occupied for two years. Young from
the Second Virginia District. The vote
was exceedingly close. Will none of the
Republicans stand with the Democrats
enough were absent unpaired to reduce the
Republican majority upon the final vote
from 16, the normal majority, to 7. An ur-
gent deficiency bill carrying \$1,420,000, was
passed.

Washington, March 13.—Senate.—Personal
explanations were made by Mr. Allen
and Mr. Butler of their positions on the
financial question. Both announced
their belief in the free and unlimited cir-
culation of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1. The
statements were called out by reports by
the contrary which had been given. Mr.
Turner, of Washington, began an
extended speech on the Porto Rican bill.
It maintained that the Porto Rican
measure clearly was unconstitutional and
expressed his belief that it would
so held if it were passed upon by the
supreme court.

House.—The last legislative step in the
enactment of the financial bill was taken
when the conference report on the bill
was adopted by a vote of 165 yeas, 165
nays, present and not voting. The senate
had already adopted the bill. The report
so that it remains only for President
McKinley to affix his signature to the
measure into law.

Washington, March 14.—Senate.—Two
arguments were presented to the senate,
in which almost antipodal positions were
taken by the two senators. Mr. Teller, of
Colorado, in a brief speech, maintained
that the constitution could not extend over
territory acquired by the United States
while Mr. Turner, of Washington, elabo-
rately contended that the constitution em-
braced the acquired territory the very mo-
ment the United States took permanent
possession of it. Aside from the constitu-
tional questions, both senators agreed
that the acquisition of the Philippines was
practical agreement. Both were opposed
to the pending bill, and both objected to
any of the insular territory being
taken by the United States, or any of its in-
habitants, citizens of the United States.

House.—The District of Columbia appropria-
tion bill was taken up and under the
latitude allowed Mr. Adamson, of Georgia,
discussed the Nicaragua canal. Mr. Cow-
der, of Ind., in question, Mr. Howard,
of Georgia, questions relating to the Phil-
ippines and the "open door" policy in the
Orient. Mr. Buckley, of New York, in
reply, Mr. Boutwell (Ill.) replied to Mr.
Cowder. A resolution was adopted setting
aside the appropriation bill for the con-
sideration of private bills reported by the
claims and war claims committee. Bills
were passed to settle the title to real es-
tate in the city of Santa Fe, N. M., and
for the relief of Thomas Paul. The Dis-
trict of Columbia appropriation bill car-
rying \$4,698,375.

Washington, March 15.—Senate.—For
nearly three hours the senate had under
consideration the bill appropriating \$200,000
for the benefit of the people of Porto
Rico. The bill had not been disposed of
when the hour of adjournment came. Mr.
Weinstein presented an elaborate argu-
ment against the passing of Mr. Quay
and his friends. The bill was carried
by a vote of 16 yeas to 16 nays. The
constitutional questions involved.

House.—The District of Columbia appropria-
tion bill carrying \$4,698,375, was passed
by the house, and also a bill granting
the abandoned Ft. Hays military reser-
vation to the War Department. It was
an experiment station, state normal
school and public park purposes.

Washington, March 16.—Senate.—After
a debate of three days, extending over
parts of two days, the senate passed the
Porto Rican relief appropriation bill. As
the measure carried 16 yeas to 16 nays,
the president being authorized to use that
sum "for public education, public works
and other governmental and public pur-
poses." In Porto Rico. Other bills were
passed: Relating to the accounts of United
States marshals and the clerks of the
district courts; the territory of Utah
to amend the Revised Statutes relating
to the signing of bills of exceptions.

House.—It was a private bill day
in the house under the new rule. About
two hours were spent in the discussion
of a bill to pay Representatives for ser-
vice in extra expenses incurred by him
in his contest in the last congress but
the bill was ultimately abandoned. Bills
were passed to pay J. A. Ware \$330 for
extra service in the construction of the
Mount City national cemetery; to refer
the claim of John A. Alexander, late
lieutenant commander, United States
navy, to the court of claims, and for the
relief of several naval officers.

Washington, March 17.—Senate.—Not in
session.
House.—A bill was passed providing for
the purchase by the Reel-Kell Company
of a strip of land in Alaska, to be used
by the company for the past 20 years. Two more
anti-trust resolutions were introduced,
one against the American Steel and Wire
Steel Co. Mr. Burkett presented resolu-
tions in memory of the late Monroe L.
Hayward, a senator from Nebraska.
Tributes were paid to Mr. Hayward's
memory and as an additional mark of re-
spect the house adjourned at 1:30 o'clock.

Railroad Sold at Auction.

Joplin, Mo., March 20.—The Kan-
sas City, Pittsburg, & Gulf railroad was
sold at public auction at the depot
in this city at 10:30 Monday
morning by E. H. Stiles, master in
chancery, to satisfy twenty-three mil-
lion dollar mortgage with one year's
accrued interest, held by the State
Trust Co., of New York. But one bid
was made, that by Silas W. Pettit,
chief counsel of the Philadelphia re-
organization committee of \$12,500,000,
the upset price.

The Request Declined.

Washington, March 23.—Secretary
of the Navy Long is puzzled over a
report from Admiral Watson that ex-
tensive repairs are needed for the pro-
tected cruiser New Orleans, now at
Nagasaki. He cabled Admiral Wat-
son declining to permit extensive re-
pairs until he knows whether they are
necessary.

Students to Vaccinate.

New Haven, Ct., March 20.—At Chap-
el Monday, President Hadley told the
students of Yale University that the
excitement concerning smallpox was
not warranted by the facts. From
the first, he said, there had been no
concealment of the truth. In view
of all the circumstances, however,
President Hadley advised that all the
students be vaccinated.

Gen. Wheeler at the Capitol.

Washington, March 20.—Gen. Joseph
Wheeler was at the capitol Mon-
day, and was warmly greeted by many
old friends. He will make no effort
to take his seat until after Secretary
Root returns and his military status
is determined.

Ports Closed Against Argentine.

Rio Janeiro, March 20.—The Bra-
zilian government has decided to
close the ports to vessels from Argen-
tina on account of the reported
plague cases. The government of
Paraguay has published a note declar-
ing that the plague has disappeared
from its borders.

THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Interesting Intelligence of the Week
Gathered and Condensed
From Day to Day.

MONDAY.

Capt. Joseph Nicholson, for 21 years
warden of the Detroit house of cor-
rection, is dead at the age of 74 years.
Frank Cass, 18 years old, was killed
in a friendly boxing bout with Bert
Whidden at Levin Lake, near Santa
Cruz, Cal.

Charles Humphreys, a Negro, was
lynched at Phenix City, Ala., by
whites for entering the room of a
daughter of a farmer.

Washington officials deny that the
relations between the United States
and China are strained to such an ex-
tent as to threaten American inter-
ests.

Adm. and Mrs. Dewey left Washing-
ton on a six weeks' visit through the
southern states. They will then sail
for Europe to attend the Paris ex-
position.

Filipino insurgents are reorganizing
in several of the Philippine provinces
and maintaining a resistance in hopes
that congress will give the best pos-
sible terms.

Mrs. Isador Clark, a sister of Judge
Tuley, of Chicago, died in Milwaukee,
aged 70 years. The remains will be
taken to Chicago for interment in
Rose Hill cemetery.

A military commission at Bayam-
bong, in the Philippines, has sen-
tenced to be hanged on March 30 two
natives who have been found guilty
of murdering their countrymen.

A coal chute from a coal station
on the Ninth Avenue Elevated rail-
road in New York city dropped on a
rapidly moving train, badly wrecking
the train and injuring nine persons.
Several were seriously.

On account of the failure to settle
the machinists' strike in Chicago all
the machinists in the United States
will be called out at once. This will
directly throw out over 100,000 men
and close down plants having an ag-
gregate capital of many millions of
dollars.

TUESDAY.

Samuel Donnelly leads in the nomi-
nation for president of the Interna-
tional Typographical union.

Mrs. Ellen Cole, aged 80 years, of
Wheeling, W. Va., fell into an open
fireplace and was burned to death.

Boer flags were carried in the St.
Patrick's parade through the streets
of New York city, and many of the
paraders wore Boer buttons.

Two more anti-trust resolutions
have been introduced in the house—
one against the American Steel and
Wire Co. and the other against the
Federal Steel Co.

Gen. Gatacre's forces reached Nor-
val's Pont, having accomplished his
mission in joining the British forces.
Lord Roberts is now preparing to
start on his long march to Pretoria.

Maud S., the famous trotter, died at
Schultz's farm, Port Chester, N. Y.
She was owned by the Bonner estate,
and was 26 years of age. Her trot-
ting record of 2:08 3/4 was made in
1885.

The new army transport Summer
ran down and sunk a railroad barge
in the harbor at Norfolk, Va. Fif-
teen men on the barge narrowly es-
caped. The transport was but slight-
ly injured.